being born in Alabama, but his age was given as 10 in 1850, meaning that he was born sometime in 1840 in this state.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
To any of the Judges of said State, any Justice, of the Peace of said County, or other percentage of legally authorised
These are to authorise you or either of you, to solemnize the rites of matrimony between and Turan Bell and Suran Bell of said County, agreeably to the statute in such case made and provided. Given at the of the Clerk of the County Court of said county, this 33 day of June 18
Solemnized on the 24th day of fund 1840

There was no suitable match found in the 1840 census of Alabama or Tennessee for a John Woodward (or under the variant spelling of "Woodard") born in Tennessee (or even born in Alabama) about 1813. Accordingly, there is no way to pursue the history of his line further back into time without some other type of record. However, his children's history can be examined in the years after 1850. The 1860 census record for John's widow Susan Woodward has been presented above. No census record was found for any of the Susan Woodward family in the 1870 census, anywhere in the United States. Of course, that is not unusual, as the reconstruction period after the Civil War in the South led to many census records being incomplete or missing. However, in the 1880 census of Madison County